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Sent: 2/10/2021 5:51:31 PM
To: Herrera, Angeles [Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: LA Times Article re: ocean disposal

FYI. I am setting up a meeting with Water Div Branch chief Ellen Blake to discuss the issue.

From: Blake, Ellen <Blake.Ellen@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 9:37 AM
To: Chesnutt, John <Chesnutt.John@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: LA Times Article re: ocean disposal

Thanks John, setting up time to talk would be good.
Ellen

From: Chesnutt, John <Chesnutt.John@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 11:24 AM
To: Blake, Ellen <Blake.Ellen@epa.gov>
Subject: LA Times Article re: ocean disposal

Ellen, I wanted to share the below two articles with you if you hadn't seen them, and then set up a time to talk about this issue. Since the first article came out in late October, we have had a number of key conversations with congressionals (including a call between RA Busted and Senator Feinstein), the State Water Board, and non-profits. All are asking what EPA can do about this situation. We have stated that it is a separate issue from the Montrose/Palos Verdes Shelf Superfund site, and that we are initially looking to our state and federal natural resource trustees to take the lead, while we consult with them.

We have coordinated a bit with Water Div staff (Ota, Ross, Yelensky) that have obvious connections to this issue or area. We are now gearing up for a potential multi-agency meeting convened by the State Water Board, which would include NOAA, FWS, and others, so wanted to coordinate with Water Div management. I thought I would start with you, unless there are others I should include.

I can look on your calendar and set up a half hour to discuss this week.

Thanks, John Chesnutt

<https://www.latimes.com/projects/la-coast-ddt-dumping-ground/#nt=1col-7030col1-main>

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